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Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the President should work to achieve a clearly defined agreement which establishes a multilateral export control regime to stem the proliferation of militarily critical products, technology, and advanced strategic weapons to rogue regimes that jeopardize international peace and the national security of the United States.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. GILMAN submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the
Committee on Foreign Affairs

RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the President should work to achieve a clearly defined agreement which establishes a multilateral export control regime to stem the proliferation of militarily critical products, technology, and advanced strategic weapons to rogue regimes that jeopardize international peace and the national security of the United States.

Whereas the United States and its partners in the Coordinating Committee (hereinafter referred to as “CoCom”), the multinational body that controlled strategic exports to the former Soviet Union and other Communist States, agreed to disband the organization on March 31, 1994;

Whereas no successor has yet been established to replace CoCom;

Whereas multilateral controls are urgently needed to thwart efforts of Iran, Iraq, North Korea, Libya, and other rogue regimes to acquire advanced strategic weapons and militarily critical products and technology that could contribute to such nations' efforts to build threatening offensive weapons capabilities;

Whereas the United States should make a high-level effort to achieve an effective replacement control regime to CoCom;

Whereas the Administration has been trying for more than one year to negotiate such a replacement regime that would merge the existing CoCom regime for East-West technology controls into a global nonproliferation regime and would specifically target rogue regimes such as Iran, Iraq, North Korea, and Libya;

Whereas support by such regimes for threatening activities, including acts of international terrorism, poses a national security threat to the United States and its allies;

Whereas the Administration is now giving active consideration to the inclusion in this replacement regime of Russia, other former Warsaw Pact States, and possibly China;

Whereas police in Germany have made 4 seizures this year of nuclear contraband from Russia where nuclear facilities are vulnerable to pilfering;

Whereas the plutonium in one such seizure was 87 percent of a highly enriched isotope used in nuclear weapons and is alleged to originate from a Russian nuclear weapons plant;

Whereas the Administration needs to ensure that Russia takes prompt and effective action to tighten export controls on nuclear weapons components;

Whereas Russia has sold destabilizing weapons to Iran and has not indicated that it is prepared to stop or curtail such sales in the future;

Whereas the Administration should oppose Russian membership in the CoCom successor regime until Russia unconditionally terminates the sale and transfer of all advanced conventional weapons to Iran and any other rogue regimes;

Whereas the Administration has failed to publicly identify Russia as a country that is transferring advanced conventional weapons to Iran pursuant to the provisions of the Iran-Iraq Arms Non-Proliferation Act of 1992; and

Whereas Russia and other countries should qualify for membership only to the extent that they are beginning to implement effective export controls, adhering to the control lists and the guidelines of the existing multilateral regimes (including the Nuclear Supplier's Group, the Missile Technology Control Regime and the Australia Group), adhering to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons and the existing biological and chemical weapons conventions, and agreeing to stop providing destabilizing weapons to rogue regimes: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That it is the sense of the House of Rep-
2 resentatives that—

3 (1) the President should work to achieve a
4 clearly defined agreement which establishes a multi-

1 lateral export control regime to stem the prolifera-
2 tion of militarily critical products and technology
3 and advanced strategic weapons to rogue regimes
4 that jeopardize international peace and the national
5 security of the United States and its allies; and

6 (2) no country should qualify for membership
7 unless it has begun to implement effective export
8 controls, adheres to the control list and the guide-
9 lines of the existing multilateral regimes including
10 the Nuclear Supplier's Group, the Missile Tech-
11 nology Control Regime, and the Australia Group,
12 adheres to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of
13 Nuclear Weapons and the existing biological and
14 chemical weapons conventions, and has stopped pro-
15 viding advanced strategic weapons to Iran, Iraq,
16 Libya, and North Korea.

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